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SUBJECT: TURKISH SENATOR INAN'S VISIT TO LUXEMBOURG

SUMMARY: SENATOR KAMRAN INAN, MEMBER OF JUSTICE PARTY AND
PRESIDENT OF THE TURKISH DELEGATION TO THE EC/TURKISH MIXED
PARLIAMENTARY COMMISSION, WAS IN LUXEMBOURG FOR MEETINGS OF
THE COMMISSION JANUARY 13 AND 14. CHARGE AND SEVERAL OTHER
DIPLOMATS, INCLUDING SOVIET DCM, LUNCHEDED WITH INAN ON
JANUARY 14 AT INVITATION OF TURKISH CHARGE D'AFFAIRES.

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IN FRANK CONVERSATION INAN DEPLORED U. S. CONGRESSIONAL

"INTERVENTION" IN TURKISH AFFAIRS AS WELL AS EC
"DISCRIMINATION" AGAINST TURKEY. WHILE HE DESCRIBED TURKEY
AS A DEDICATED MEMBER OF THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE, HE SAID
HIS GOVERNMENT IS ALSO INTERESTED IN IMPROVING RELATIONS
WITH THE U.S.S.R. PREDICTABLY HE LAID BLAME ON GREECE
AND MAKARIOS FOR BREAKDOWN IN CYPRUS NEGOTIATIONS.
END SUMMARY.

1. TURKISH/EC RELATIONS: INAN DESCRIBED TURKISH/EC
RELATIONS AS AT LOW EBB. AFTER BEING ONE OF THE FIRST
COUNTRIES TO SIGN AN ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT WITH THE EC,
TURKEY HAS SEEN CONSISTENT EROSION OF THE BENEFITS WHICH
WERE SUPPOSE TO ACCRUE FROM PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT.
INAN ADDED THAT TURKEY FEELS DISCRIMINATED AGAINST
BECAUSE NOW IT DOES NOT EVEN ENJOY THE SAME PREFERENTIAL
TREATMENT GIVEN TO COUNTRIES THAT HAVE ONLY RECENTLY SIGNED
ASSOCIATION AGREEMENTS WITH THE EC. HE SAID CURRENT
COMMUNITY RELATIONS WITH GREECE ALSO GIVE TURKEY THE IMPRESSIIN
THAT IT IS BEING DISCRIMINATED AGAINST POLITICALLY, AND HE
WARNED THAT THE NINE "SHOULD NOT MAKE THE SAME MISTAKE AS THE
UNITED STATES BY TAKING TURKEY TOO MUCH FOR GRANTED."

2. CYPRUS: INAN SAID TURKEY IS READY TO NEGOTIATE UNDER
CONDITIONS THAT WOULD LEAD TO AN INDEPENDENT, NONALIGNED,
BI-REGIONAL STATE OF CYPRUS. HE CLAIMED MAKARIOS IS ACTIVELY
HINDERING PROSPECTS FOR RESUMING NEGOTIATIONS AND THAT THE
GREEK GOVERNMENT TAKES THE ATTITUDE "WHAT IS MINE IS MINE
AND WHAT IS YOURS IS NEGOTIABLE." HE ADDED THAT TURKEY
NONETHELESS HOPES NEGOTIATIONS ON REALISTIC BASIS CAN GET
UNDER WAY SOON.

3. U.S.S.R.: INAN CHARACTERIZED THE PODGORNY VISIT AS
PART OF A NORMAL EFFORT TO REINFORCE GOT GOOD NEIGHBOR
POLICY TOWARDS THE SOVIET UNION. HE WAS, HOWEVER, FIRM IN
DESCRIBING TURKEY AS A DEDICATED MEMBER OF NATO AND AS A
EUROPEAN COUNTRY WHOSE STRONGEST TIES REMAIN WITH THE
WEST. HE SAID TURKEY IS NOT TRYING TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL
RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND ARGUED THAT ONE HIGH
LEVEL SOVIET VISIT IS A FAR CRY FROM SOME OF THE
INSTITUTIONALIZED EXCHANGES THAT OCCUR BETWEEN OTHER
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ATLANTIC ALLIANCE COUNTRIES AND THE U.S.S.R.

4. U.S./TURKISH RELATIONS: INAN WAS UNSPARING IN HIS
CRITICISM OF THE UNITED STATES AND PARTICULARLY THE UNITED
STATES CONGRESS FOR "IMPARTIALITY" AGAINST TURKEY ON CYPRUS.
THROUGHOUT THE CONVERSATION, HOWEVER, HE WAS CURTEOUS AND
GOOD HUMORED AND MADE IT CLEAR THAT IN SPITE OF THE PRESENCE
OF THE SOVIET DCM HE REGARDED THE LUNCHEON AS A MEETING

OF ATLANTIC ALLIANCE FRIENDS WHOSE RELATIONS ARE SECURE
ENOUGH TO PERMIT HONEST CRITICISM. PHILLIPS

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